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Your kind letter reached me. Though it was written after a long break, it gave me immense pleasure. It is nearly 10 years since I left you all. But it looks as though I left you only yesterday. Though I am not in India, I see the grandeur of the services done by you all in my mental vision and feel delighted. On certain occasions, I hear of them on the radio. On some other occasions I read of them from papers. But, I have no occasion to hear and read of them regularly and continuously, because of heavy work. The work I do here is beyond my capacity. Everything is being done by the grace of Guru Maharaj. He has not given me the time to sit in peace. Everything is ~~done~~ due to his grace and deed. You might remember what you told me, as I took leave of you. You asked me to inform you if there be anything that the Central Legislature could do for Fiji. The times and conditions have since then changed very quickly. Changed out of proportion. The world war local revolutions and many other things have happened. All of them you are aware of.

However, this is the opportune moment for you to do real service to Fiji. Particularly because you are the Minister for Education, you can do a good ~~thing~~^{work} in the cause of education in this island at this moment. South Indians in particular are backward and suffer in this island. Though they are forward in service, they are backward in status, wealth and education. The reason for this is that North Indians are more in number. They came here earlier. The language in vogue here is Hindi. So, the Government support only Hindi here. ~~So~~ It is good, in general. Many of the South Indians feel that their children should not be left without contact with the education of this mother country. They are making herculean efforts in this direction. They made enormous sacrifices for their mother tongue. Because of very strong opposition, they could not achieve this object. But, the struggle has not ceased yet. Their demand is that their mother tongue should be placed on a par with Hindi in primary school.

Sender's name and address:-

Suwanii Rudrananda,
Sangam, Nadi,
Fiji

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Arising from Chettin
Education Minister
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Madras (S. India)

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In this place a force of the legislature is being ~~enacted~~ enacted. Majority of its members are Government Officers. ie. They are 16 in number. Inclusive of the Governor, their number is 17. They vote in a body. Among the nominated members there are 5 Kaibidiyans, 2 Europeans and 3 Indians. These are the 'dramatis personae'. It can be easily inferred as to how this body will interest itself in the welfare of the Indians. "One on hand is worth two in the bush" is the axiom which Indians adopt here. They consider this Legislature an 'Indra Sabah'. If bad men find themselves in the legislature, the resulting evils are endless. So, there is keen contest. Even in contests, they assault ~~each~~ each other as dogs fight ^{over crumbs} ~~over crumbs~~; and get for all appearance, they look big. Election groups and parties take different shapes and keep the Indian nationals always divided. Cliques and cleavages always persist. It can be easily imagined as to what unity can be achieved under the above circumstances. Indian nationals in Fiji are oppressed by another devil. That devil is the C.S.R. Company. This is more powerful than the Government. It is all-powerful. It is capable of carrying out all its wishes; and it is this Company that is sapping the Indian Community. Because of it, an inferiority complex pervades everywhere. Slavish mentality is being developed. There is another group of persons who carry tales against one another and grow ^{fat} ~~fat~~ at the expense of others. They are mere parasites. There are also sapping the Indian Community.

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The anniversary of the Federation came off in the end of May last. A copy of the annual report will be sent to you as early as possible. A separate report in respect of schools is also being published. A copy of that also will be sent to you for your perusal.

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- (1) You can arrange for your Department taking up the work of improving the mother-tongues of Indian nationals in foreign lands; and for this purpose,
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You can do all, or many of a few of the above, through your Department. It will be a great help, if you, while in office, start

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I propose to avail myself of a suitable opportunity to take 40 or 50 or perhaps 100 of our Indian brethren here on a trip to India to meet and hear great men and leaders ^{and} to visit places of pilgrimage. This I wish to do within 2 years. If this proposal fructifies, you can help us in the cultural tour. You can arrange to procure special touring tickets from the Railway administrations. You can help us with notes of introduction to various places. I shall write to you then.

We shall start the paper only after receipt of types. Tell then job works will be executed. There are enough types and a lino-machine in English.

One other idea crosses my mind, can you arrange to send me a printer capable of good work? Those here are getting on with the work in a way; but no one here is capable of good work. After some time, it may be possible to depute a youth from here to learn good work in India. But ~~it~~

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Apart from the management of the press and the Federation, we are having the management of the "Madavani" estate also. If the press can be compared to an elephant, this estate may be compared to a big elephant. It is 1036 acres in extent. On this estate, nearly 20 families cover 200 acres for their habitations. A small portion of the remaining acres is cultivated for the Federation. A portion of this is forest land. It is proposed to run a dairy farm there. Arrangements will be made to give training in small handicrafts. Because these are all in the ~~initial~~ initial stage, they involve heavy work. Further, this property was purchased on loan. A sum of \$ 500/- has to be remitted towards interest ~~every~~ every year. We lack adequate ~~man~~ resources to run the Federation with. This property is a free-hold land. In case of any trouble from the Europeans, our country-men can take refuge on the estate. The estate is capable of good return. It is with these objectives, the estate is purchased and run. More on receipt of your reply.

Yours sincerely,
Sd/- RUDRAMANDA.

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it may take time. Instead, if one who has served in a big printing press as a foreman can be arranged to go over here as contract for 3 or 5 years so that he can train some youths here. Our press can then earn a good reputation right from the beginning. If you will please take some pains in this regard and secure some help from the Government this can be achieved. Please consider and reply me.

Apart from the management of the press and the Federation, we are having the management of the "Madhavani" estate also. If the press can be compared to an elephant, this estate may be compared to a big elephant. It is 1086 acres in extent. On this estate nearly 30 families cover 200 acres for their habitations. A small portion of the remaining acres is cultivated for the Federation. A portion of this is forest land. It is proposed to run a dairy farm there. Arrangements will be made to give training in small handicrafts. Because these are all in the initial stage, they involve heavy work. Further, this property was purchased on loan. A sum of \$ 500/- has to be remitted towards interest every year. We lack adequate resources to run the Federation with. This property is a freehold land. In case of any trouble from the Europeans, our country-men can take refuge on the estate. The estate is capable of good return. It is with these objectives, the estate is purchased and run. More on receipt of your reply.

Yours sincerely,

Sd/- RUDRAMANIA.

BY AIR MAIL.

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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.
Education & Public Health Department.
Letter Ref.No.58723-A/48-1, C2, Edn.

From

M.V. Subramanian Esq., I.C.S.,
Secretary to the Government of Madras.

To

The Secretary to the Government of India,
Ministry of Commonwealth Relations,
New Delhi 3.(with enclosures).

Fort St. George, Madras, dated 13-8-1948.

Sir,

Subj:- Indians in Fiji - Assistance.

I am to enclose herewith a copy of the letter dated 30-6-48 received by this Government from Swami Rudrananda of the Ramakrishna Mission, who is working in the Fiji islands for the uplift of the Indian emigrants there. In view of the representations made in the letter, this Government feel that it is necessary that this country should give them some assistance in the uplift of our people in those far off islands. I am accordingly directed to request that the Government of India will kindly go into the matter and give whatever assistance is possible to our countrymen in Fiji.

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This Government will be glad to be informed about the steps taken by the Government of India in this direction as soon as possible.

Yours faithfully,

SS.13-8-48.

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Secretary to Government.

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No.D.5176/48-OS.III.
Government of India.
Ministry of External Affairs and
Commonwealth Relations.

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New Delhi, the 8th September, 1948.

From

R.N. Saletore Esq. M.A., Ph.D., D.Litt.,
Under Secretary to the Government of
India.

To

The Secretary to the Government of Madras,
Education and Public Health Department,
Fort Street George, MADRAS.

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Subject:- Indians in Fiji, Assistance.

Sir,

I am directed to acknowledge receipt of
p23 ant. your letter No.58723-A/48-1, C2, Edn., dated the 13th
August, 1948, on the subject mentioned above and to
say that the matter is receiving attention.

Yours faithfully,

R.N. Saletore

Under Secretary.

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No. D. 5176/48-2
Government of India
Ministry of External Affairs and
Commonwealth Relations.

New Delhi, the 24th October 1948.

Under Secretary to the Government of India
R.N. Saksena, Esq., P.O. D. 5176/48-2

The Secretary to the Government of Madras,
Education and Public Health Department,
Fort St. George, Madras.

Indians in T.M. - assistance.



Sir,

In continuation of this Ministry letter No. D. 5176/48-2
of 11th, dated the 8th September, 1948, on the subject mentioned
above, I am directed to say that your request may be referred
to get into touch with the Commissioner for the Government of
India in T.M. (S.M. T.M.) in regard to the supply of cultural
films. The Commissioner was suggested, before leaving for T.M.,
with a set of selected cultural films for publication in T.M.
and these could be obtained by your request on loan.
2. As regards journals in Tamil or Telugu, I am to say
that no publications are issued by the Government of India in
either of these languages.
3. A further communication will be sent to you in regard
to the suggestion for increasing the transmitting capacity of
the Madras station of All India Radio.

Yours faithfully,

SS.13-8-48.

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This Government will be glad to be informed about the steps
taken by the Government of India in this direction as soon as
possible.

Yours faithfully,

Secretary to Government.

No. 1.5176/48-111
 Government of India
 Ministry of External Affairs and
 Commonwealth Relations.

New Delhi, the 10 October 1948.

Under Secretary to the Government of India
 R.N. S. Iyer, Esq., M.A., Ph.D., D.Litt.

The Secretary to the Government of Madras,
 Education and Public Health Department,
 Fort St. George, Madras.



Indians in Fiji - Assistance.

In continuation of this Ministry letter No. D.5176/48-111, dated the 8th September, 1948, on the subject mentioned above, I am directed to say that Swami Anand may be requested to get into touch with the Commissioner for the Government of India in Fiji, Suva, Fiji, in regard to the supply of cultural films. The Commissioner was supplied, before leaving for Fiji, with a set of selected cultural films for publicity in Fiji and these could be obtained by Swami Anand on loan. As regards journals in Tamil or Telugu, I am to say that no publications are issued by the Government of India in either of these languages. A further communication will be sent to you in regard to the suggestion for increasing the transmitting capacity of the Madras station of All India Radio.

Yours faithfully,

Under Secretary.

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Letter / Ref 587234/48-5-2-2 Edu 9 15 3 49

The Secy to the Govt,
 Ministry of External Affairs -
 New Delhi.

Sir,

Indians in Fiji - Assistance -
 Ref your letter no. D.5176/48-05111
 9.2.8.48

I am directed to request you to be as good as to state when the further communication promised in your letter cited may be expected.

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No.F.50-16/48-OS. III.
Government of India.
Ministry of External Affairs and
Commonwealth Relations,

New Delhi, the 22 January 1949.

6754 From R.N. Saletore, Esq., M.A., Ph.D., D.Litt,
Under Secretary to the Government of India.

To The Secretary to the Government of Madras,
Education and Public Health Department,
Fort St. George, MADRAS

Subject:- Increasing the transmitting capacity
of the Madras Station of All India
Radio and publications of journals in
Tamil or Telugu - Suggestions by
B. I Swami Rudrananda of Fiji.

Sir,

In continuation of this Ministry letter

p 27 ante
No.D.5176/48-OS.III, dated the 28th October, 1948, on
the above subject, I am directed to say that the short-wave
station at Madras is intended to serve the area within a
radius of about 500 miles, and operating frequencies
for the short-wave transmitter are chosen with that purpose
in view. An augmentation of the power of the transmitter
alone would not, therefore, give a better service in Fiji.
Broadcasts to Indians overseas are transmitted from Delhi.
(A copy of the current news and External Services schedule
is enclosed). I am to add that the question of a service
to Fiji in Hindustani is under consideration.

2. In partial modification of paragraph two of this

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No. 150-100-100
Government of India
Ministry of External Affairs and
Commonwealth Relations
New Delhi, the 1st January 1947

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The Secretary to the Government of India
Under Secretary to the Government of India

The Secretary to the Government of India
Ministry of External Affairs and
Commonwealth Relations
New Delhi, the 1st January 1947

Subject: Increasing the broadcasting capacity
of the Indian stations of All India
Radio and the provision of facilities
for the short-wave transmission of
Tamil and Telugu - Suggestions by
Swami Vivekananda of 1941.

In continuation of the Ministry letter
No. 150/100-100, dated the 28th October, 1947, on
the above subject, I am directed to say that the short-wave
station at Madras is intended to serve the area within a
radius of about 500 miles, and is not intended to serve
for the short-wave transmission of the Indian stations
in view of the limitation of the power of the transmitter.
alone would not, therefore, give a better service than
broadcasting to India overseas and the Indian stations.
(A copy of the current news and service list is
inclosed). I am to be the provision of a service
to the Indian stations in the Indian stations.
A partial modification of the service of the
Ministry.

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Ministry letter referred to above, I am to say that All
India Radio publish a programme journal in Tamil entitled
"Vomoli" and propose to publish shortly another journal
in Telugu.

Yours faithfully,

W. S. S. S.
Under Secretary.

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News and External Services

ALL INDIA RADIO



Directorate General

ALL INDIA RADIO

Government of India

New Delhi

WAVELENGTHS SCHEDULE

Effective from November 16, 1948.

I.S.T. (Subtract 5½ hours to obtain G.M.T.)	Wavelengths in metres.
0700 English (10 mts.)	19.79, 25.36
0710 Telugu News (10 mts.)	25.32, 25.45
Assamese News (10 mts.)	31.02, 31.15
0720 Tamil News (10 mts.)	25.32, 25.45
Oriya News (10 mts.)	31.02, 31.15
0730 Burmese (30 mts.)	13.95, 19.54, 19.79, 25.36
Bengali News (10 mts.)	25.32, 25.45, 31.02, 31.15
0740 Marathi News (10 mts.)	25.32, 25.45, 31.02, 31.15
0750 Gujarati News (10 mts.)	25.32, 25.45, 31.02, 31.15
0800 English News (15 mts.)	13.95, 19.54, 19.79, 25.32, 25.36, 25.45, 31.02, 31.15, 41.15
0815 Hindustani News (15 mts.)	13.95, 19.54, 25.32, 25.36, 25.45, 31.02, 31.15, 41.15
0845 Hindustani (Hyd.) (15 mts.)	25.32, 25.45, 31.02
0900 Pushto (15 mts.)	13.95, 19.54, 31.15
0915 Hindustani (E. P.) (5 mts.)	25.32, 31.02
1100 English (30 mts.)	16.83, 19.62, 19.74, 19.79
1130 Hindustani (30 mts.)	16.83, 19.62, 19.74, 19.79
1200 English (15 mts.)	16.83, 19.62, 19.74, 19.79
1215 Tamil (30 mts.)	16.83, 19.74, 19.79
1245 Marathi News (5 mts.)	16.89, 19.62, 25.32
1250 Gujarati News (5 mts.)	16.89, 19.62, 25.32
1300 English (30 mts.)	13.95, 16.83, 19.54, 19.79
1320 Oriya News (5 mts.)	16.89, 19.62, 25.32
1325 Hindustani News (5 mts.)	16.89, 19.62, 25.32, 31.15
1330 English News (10 mts.)	13.95, 16.83, 16.89, 19.54, 19.62, 19.79, 25.32, 31.15
1340 English (5 mts.)	13.95, 16.83, 19.54, 19.79
Bengali News (5 mts.)	16.89, 19.62, 25.32
1400 Tamil News (5 mts.)	16.89, 19.62, 25.32
1405 Telugu News (5 mts.)	16.89, 19.62, 25.32
1410 Pushto (20 mts.)	16.89, 19.54, 19.62, 25.32
1500 Kuoyu (30 mts.)	13.95, 16.83, 19.54, 19.74
1530 Cantonese (30 mts.)	13.95, 19.54, 19.74
1545 Indonesian (15 mts.)	16.83, 19.79
1600 Hindustani (60 mts.)	16.83, 19.62, 19.79
1630 Japanese (B.B. C.) (30 mts.)	19.74
1700 English (30 mts.)	16.83, 19.79
Burmese (30 mts.)	13.95, 19.54

WAVELENGTHS SCHEDULE

Effective from November 16, 1948.

I.S.T. (Subtract 5½ hours to obtain G. M. T.)	Wavelengths in metres.
1730 Tamil (60 mts.)	16.83, 19.79
1745 Kannada News (15 mts.)	19.62, 25.32, 31.15
1800 English News (10 mts.)	19.62, 25.32, 31.15, 41.15
1810 Hindustani News (5 mts.)	19.62, 25.32, 31.15, 41.15
1815 Siamese (B. B. C.) (15 mts.)	13.95
1830 Pushto (30 mts.)	25.32, 41.27
Kashmiri (60 mts.)	25.27, 31.15
1900 News (E. P.) (5 mts.)	25.32, 31.30, 41.27, 85.84
Kuoyu (B. B. C.) (30 mts.)	19.79
1905 Troops (India and Ceylon) (40 mts.)	31.30, 85.84
1915 Telugu News (15 mts.)	19.62, 25.32
1930 Tamil News (15 mts.)	19.62, 25.32
Assamese News (15 mts.)	25.36, 31.15
1945 Bengali News (15 mts.)	19.62, 25.32, 31.30
Oriya News (15 mts.)	25.36, 31.15
2000 Marathi News (15 mts.)	19.62, 25.32, 31.15
2015 Gujarati News (15 mts.)	19.62, 25.32, 31.15
2030 English (30 mts.)	16.83, 19.79, 25.27, 31.30, 31.35
2100 English News (15 mts.)	16.83, 19.62, 19.79, 25.27, 25.32, 31.15, 31.30, 31.35, 85.84
2115 Hindustani News (15 mts.)	19.62, 25.32, 31.15, 31.30, 85.84
2140 Afghan Persian (35 mts.)	25.27, 31.15, 31.35, 48.47
2145 Hindustani (Hyd.) (15 mts.)	25.32, 49.10
2200 Gujarati (30 mts.)	19.83, 25.45
Telugu (Hyd.) (15 mts.)	25.32, 49.10
2215 Persian (45 mts.)	25.27, 31.15, 31.35, 48.47
2230 Hindustani (15 mts.)	19.83, 25.45
2245 English (15 mts.)	19.83, 25.45
2300 Arabic (45 mts.)	25.27, 31.15, 31.35, 48.47

Wavelength-Frequency Conversion.

13.95 m	21510 kc/s	25.45 m	11790 kc/s
16.83 m	17830 kc/s	31.02 m	9670 kc/s
16.89 m	17760 kc/s	31.15 m	9630 kc/s
19.83 m	15130 kc/s	31.30 m	9590 kc/s
19.54 m	15350 kc/s	31.35 m	9570 kc/s
19.62 m	15290 kc/s	41.15 m	7290 kc/s
19.74 m	15190 kc/s	41.27 m	7270 kc/s
19.79 m	15160 kc/s	48.47 m	6190 kc/s
25.27 m	11870 kc/s	49.10 m	6110 kc/s
25.32 m	11850 kc/s	84.85 m	3495 kc/s
25.36 m	11830 kc/s		

NOTE.— Wavelengths in bold type indicate 100 K. W. transmitter.

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No. F.562-IANZ/49

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA.
MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS AND COMMONWEALTH RELATIONS.

New Delhi (3), the 19 April, 1949.

FROM

THE UNDER SECRETARY TO THE GOVERNMENT OF INDIA,
MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS AND COMMONWEALTH RELATIONS.

To

The Secretary to the Government of Madras (Education and Public Health Department) Fort St. George, Madras.

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Subject:— Indians in Fiji.

Sir,

With reference to Your letter No. 58723.A/48-E.2-2Edn, dated the 15th March 1949, I am directed to refer to the letter No. F.50-16/48-OS.III, dated the 22nd January 1949 from the Government of India which has been acknowledged by the Public Works Department, Fort St. George, in their No. 514-F/49-1, dated the 19th February 1949 (copy enclosed for ready reference).

Yours faithfully,

Abdulkhan

Under Secretary to the Government of India.

Copy forwarded to the Government of Madras (Public Works Department) in continuation of letter No. F.50-16/48-OS.III, dated 10th March 1949 from the Government of India, in the Ministry of External Affairs.

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Copy of letter No. 514-F/49-1, dated the 19th February 1949 from Government of Madras, Public Works Department, to the the Ministry of External Affairs, New Delhi.

Subject:- Increasing the transmitting capacity of the Madras Station of All India Radio and publications of Journals in Tamil or Telugu suggestions by Swami Rudrananda, Fiji.

Reference:- Mr. R.N.Saletore's letter No.F.50-16/48-OS.III dated 22nd January 1949 to the Government of Madras, Education and Public Health Department.

I am directed to request that a copy of letter No.D.5176/48-O.S.III dated 28-10-1948 from the Ministry of External Affairs and Commonwealth Relations, referred to in Mr. R.N. Saletore's letter cited above, together with a copy of the suggestions by Swami Rudrananda of Fiji on the above subject, may kindly be furnished as the original of the letter referred to does not seem to have been received by this Government either in the Education and Public Health or in this Department.

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Copy of letter No. 514-F/49-1, dated the 19th February 1949, from Government of Madras, Public Works Department, to the Ministry of External Affairs, New Delhi.

Subject: - Increase the transmitting capacity of the Madras Station of All India Radio and suggestions of journals in Tamil or Telugu languages by Swami Rudrananda, Fiji.

Reference: - Mr. R.N. Salatore's letter No. F.50-16/48-OS.III dated 22nd January 1949 to the Government of Madras, Education and Public Health Department.

I am directed to request that a copy of letter No. D.514-F/48-OS.III dated 28-10-1948 from the Ministry of External Affairs and Commonwealth Relations, referred to in Mr. R.N. Salatore's letter cited above, together with a copy of the suggestions by Swami Rudrananda of Fiji on the above subject, may kindly be furnished as the original of the letter referred to does not seem to have been received by this Government either in the Education and Public Health or in this Department.

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS AND COMMONWEALTH RELATIONS.

No. F.662-1ANZ/49

New Delhi (3), the 19 April, 1949

FROM
THE UNDER SECRETARY TO THE GOVERNMENT OF INDIA,
MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS AND COMMONWEALTH RELATIONS.

TO
The Secretary to the Government of Madras (Education and Public Health Department) Fort St. George, Madras.

Subject: - Indians in Fiji.

Sir,

With reference to your letter No. 58723.A/48-E.2-2Edn, dated the 15th March 1949, I am directed to refer to the letter No. F.50-16/48-OS.III, dated the 22nd January 1949 from the Government of India which has been acknowledged by the Public Works Department, Fort St. George, in their No. 514-F/49-1, dated the 19th February 1949 (copy enclosed for ready reference).

Yours faithfully,

Sd/- A.B. Bhadkamkar (A.B. BHADKAMKAR)
Under Secretary to the Government of India.

Copy forwarded to the Government of Madras (Public Works Department) in continuation of letter No. F.50-16/48-OS.III, dated 10th March 1949 from the Government of India, in the Ministry of External Affairs.

By order, etc.,

AB Bhadkamkar
Under Secretary to the Government of India.

J.K.S.
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The current relates to F. Section and may be transferred to them for disposal.
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Please see the letter from the Govt. of India at p. 1 ante. The main file on the subject referred to, has been transferred to E. & P. H. with this Deptt. rep. No. 514 7/49-2, dated 25.3.49. This may also be transferred to that Deptt. in continuation.

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The main ^{file} is in circulation. May be added to main file on ^{its} return.

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* Given to
H. M. (Edn.),
H. M. (Finn)
+ H. Pr.

Letter/Ref. 587234/Edn. dated 31/5/48
48-4 E & P.H. (E2).

To
Swami Rudrananda
Sangam, Nadi,
Fiji.

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Sub: South Indians in Fiji Islands - Assistance

With ref. to your letter dated 30-6-48 addressed to Sri T. S. Nvinashilingam Chettiar, former Minister for Edn., I am directed to say that a copy of your letter was forwarded to the Govt. of India and they were requested to give whatever assistance was possible to Indians in Fiji. In reply, that Govt. have stated that you should be advised to get into touch with the Commissioner of the Govt. of India, in Fiji, in regard to the supply of cultural films. The Commissioner was supplied before leaving for Fiji with a set of selected cultural films for publicity in Fiji and these could be obtained by you on loan. You may therefore contact the Commissioner in this matter and in regard to other difficulties experienced by South Indians in Fiji.

2. So far as the Madras Govt. are concerned, they are prepared to exempt South Indian students, ^{coming} from Fiji from payment of fees in Colleges in this Province. As regards books for your library, I am to request you to state what publications you require and in what number.

25.5.49

Yours faithfully,

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Copy to the Commr for the Govt. of India, Suva, Fiji.

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Swami Rudrananda of the Ramakrishna Mission who is working at Fiji has represented to the Hon. Minister of Education the disabilities under which the S. Inds are suffering there in respect of educational facilities. A summary of the several items of help required by this Govt. is attached for perusal at X & H.H.'s minute on p 1 ante. H.H. (Edu) has also mentioned that the total cost involved in helping them to the extent mentioned at Y on p 1 ante will be about Rs 8000.

3 The Govt. of India which was addressed with reference to the minute of H.H. (Edu) & H.P. on p 2 ante state that Swami Rudrananda may be requested to get into touch with the Commission for the Govt. of India in Fiji in regard to the supply of cultural films. The Govt. have promised to address again in regard to the suggestion of Swami Rudrananda in the petition to increase the transmitting capacity of the Madras Station of A. J. R. With regard to the journals in Tamil & Telugu, they say they do not issue such publications.

4 We may perhaps give a reply to Swami Rudrananda as in p 2 ante as the result of our correspondence with the Govt. of India. As for the help proposed by H.H. (Edu)

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to the S. Inds in Fiji on p 1 ante. The file may be circulated to H.H. (Edu) and referred to H.P. ^{very} minute on p 2 ante.

J.D. 8/11/48

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Simply communicating the letter of the Government of India to the Indians in Fiji, mostly South Indians, is poor consolation for them. I think we may sanction to them a ^{comple} thousand rupees to be sent to them by way of books. ^{etc} H.P. may see.

TSA 16.11.48

Let us wait to hear from Govt. of India

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The file may be recirculated to

H.H. (Edu)



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W.D. H. (C. R.)



TSA 9.12.48

The letter may be reminded for the further report promised in their letter at p 27 of. A draft letter is submitted for approval.

[Letter No. 58723 A/48. 9.12.48]

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12/12/48 C.R. 14.12.48

From the Secy, Ministry of External Affairs
& Commonwealth Relations.
No. F-50-16/46. Os. III & 22. 1. 49

Swami Rudrananda of the Sri Ramakrishna Mission who is working in Fiji has represented to H. (Edn) the disabilities under which the South Indians are suffering there especially in respect of educational facilities. A summary of the several items of help required of this Govt will be found at 'X' of H.M.'s minute on p. 1 ante. H. (Edn) respond to render help as at 'Y' on p. 1 ante, at an estimated cost of Rs 8,000. The H. Pr. wants to be addressed to attend to the needs of the South Indians in Fiji and accordingly the matter was referred to them. The Govt state that Swami Rudrananda may be requested to get into touch with the Commissioner for the Govt of India in Fiji in regard to the supply of cultural films. As regards supply of journals, they say that the All India Radio publish a programme journal in Tamil entitled 'Vomoli' and propose to publish shortly another journal in Telugu. In the matter of increasing the transmitting capacity of the Madras Station of the A.I.R., the Govt state that an augmentation of the power of the transmitter alone would not give a better service in Fiji, that broadcasts to Indians overseas are transmitted from Delhi (which at present include Tamil & Telugu broadcasts) and that the question of a service to Fiji in Hindustani is under consideration. The Govt are silent on the other requests of the Swami and no further communication in the matter is promised or indicated by them. Swami Rudrananda may be informed as stated by the Govt. As regards the help proposed by H. (Edn), the case may be circulated to H. (Edn).

p 31 cf

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p 23-24 cf

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H. M. (Fin) and H. Pr. for order.
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The late H.M. proposed an expenditure of Rs 8,000/- on South Indians in Fiji, of which Rs 6,000/- was on account of 6 scholarships to be held in India and Rs 1,000/- for supply of books. H.Pr. considered that the matter should be properly left to the Government of India. The Government of India consider that in respect of the many difficulties and proposals of Swami Rudrananda the proper person to approach is the Commissioner for the Government of India in Fiji. The Government of India have no journals to supply in Tamil or Telugu. In respect of the radio, they refer to their Tamil programme already issued and Telugu programme which will be shortly issued.

The proposal for scholarships even if it can appreciably affect the situation, is a dangerous one as it may create a precedent for numerous other countries in which South Indians are located. The most that we could offer is that students from Fiji will be exempted from fees. In respect of books, it is suggested that we may enquire from Swami what publications he would like and in what number. When this information is available, the books may be supplied. Otherwise we can arrange to send Government publications, periodicals, and otherwise to the Swami or preferably to the Commissioner for distribution to South Indians in Fiji.



H.M. (Edn.) ✓
H.M. (Fin.) ✓
H.Pr. ✓

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Accd

With reference to the order for circulation
a draft letter to Swami Rudrananda is submitted
for approval. Finance may see before
issue.

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Letter No. 58723 A/48. Ldn & 81. 5. 49

Please see para 2 of the letter
at p 45 of. No reply has been received
from Swami Rudrananda. It does not seem
necessary to remind him. Action may be
taken if and when reply is received.

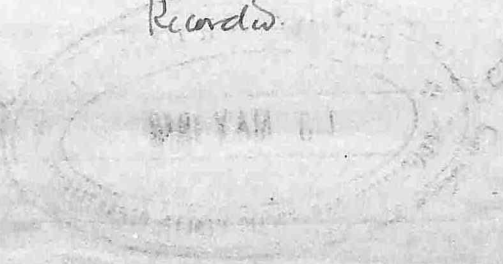
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